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MR. GRIFFIN'S RETIREMENT.

THE RETIREMENT of C. H. Griffin from the active management of the Salt Lake baseball club removes from that field of athletic activity one of the truest, clearest sportsmen that ever occupied it. Mr. Griffin was in baseball for pure love of the game. And because he loved the game he remained in it at great sacrifice of time and money and in spite of the unjust, ill-timed and unfair criticism that was often showered upon him. If Mr. Griffin had not felt sure, and properly so, that the great majority of the more thoughtful and appreciative baseball lovers of Salt Lake were with him, his position would, indeed, have been unbearable.

It may be said truthfully that had it not been for the ceaseless efforts of Mr. Griffin Salt Lake would have been out of league baseball this year. But whenever it seemed, early in the spring, as if the last possibility had been exhausted, C. H. Griffin came to the front with a new Resourceful, capable, always absolutely square and honest, Mr. Griffin succeeded at last in firmly establishing Salt Lake in the league and in gathering what competent critics declare to be the best aggregation of ball players that ever wore a Salt Lake uniform. More, in spite of the position it occupies in the pennant race, the Salt Lake team is considered at least as good as any one of the other three.

Hard luck in all the forms known to the baseball hoo-doo has pursued the team. It has had the worst of the umpiring, it has had men out of condition, and it has had poor men who had to be tried out before being released. Now, with the exception of one man who is laid up with a crippled hand, the team is in good shape. With this man back in his position, and with only a reasonable amount of good luck and decent umpiring, the team will be a credit to the city. And this largely through the efforts of Mr. Griffin.

It is pleasant to be able to say in this connection that Mr. Griffin is not retiring from the game altogether. He will still hold a place on the board of directors of the local organization and, whenever his counsel is needed, he will be on hand.

NOT FAR FROM BARBARISM.

IF REPORTS from Provo are true, Bert Nelson has "loped the loop" for the last time. If he recovers from the accident of Wednesday night he will be maimed for the balance of his days. Standing on the threshold of life, with the world opening before him, he has been transformed in a breath from a lusty, vigorous youth into a cripple. Nelson knew the desperate risk he ran when he began looping the loop. He knew the slightest deviation of his wheel from its course might kill or maim him. But he went on.

Why? Because human nature is such that men will crowd to any performance involving the possibility of a sudden end for the performer. They will give more to see a man place himself in the jaws of death than for any other form of entertainment. Nelson is not to blame. It was his way of earning a more than comfortable living. If he had not been able to earn money by his performance he would never have attempted it. And to earn money in such a way it is necessary to induce people to pay admission fees to see it.

The public is to blame. The law steps in to prevent men from fighting with bare fists, or even with skin-tight gloves. But there is less danger of death to the participant in a bare fist fight, conducted under the ordinary rules of the prize ring, than in looping the loop. Yet the law permits a man to loop the loop. Last summer at the Salt Palace a novice was permitted to attempt the feat. He escaped, as by a miracle, with his life. Hundreds of people went down to see him try it, and it is safe to say that more than half of them fully expected the performer to be killed or seriously injured.

We pride ourselves on our advanced civilization; we discourse on the brutality of the Mexican bull fight—and go to see one as often as we get to Mexico; we point with horror to the gladiatorial combats of ancient Rome; but we never miss a chance, if we can possibly avoid missing it, to see a dare-devil performer do something that brings him face to face with death. Are we so far above the Mexicans? Is our civilization in this particular respect so far ahead of the Roman civilization? At least the Mexicans are, and the Romans were honest in their brutality. We are not. That is about the sum and substance of our advancement.

News of the latest defeat of the Russians is said to have been received with stoicism in St. Petersburg. Well, they ought to be used to such news by this time.

Two hundred thousand additional men have been sent to General Kuropatkin. They ought to keep the Japs busy for a week or so, anyway.

RACING AND BETTING.

IN CHICAGO TODAY the police are going to make an effort to prevent any gambling on the horse races at Washington park, and the town is widely excited over it. It is not against the Illinois law to race horses, but it is against the law to bet on horse races. There are those who insist that the so-called "sport of kings" cannot survive if the betting feature is eliminated. Others say the sport is so ennobling, so glorious, so altogether and entirely great that it will survive whether any gambling is permitted or not.

We are inclined to agree to a certain extent with both parties to the argument. Horse racing is certainly great sport. When it is honestly conducted, and on the great tracks it is more often honest than dishonest, there are few finer things. To see a field of thorough-bred animals come racing into the home stretch, every nerve strained, every muscle taut, cannot fail to bring a thrill to the most jaded senses. And the pure air that the race-goers breathe is worth something. It is worth something to get away, for an afternoon, from the store, the office, the workshop.

But sixty men out of 100, more's the pity, do not go to see horse racing just for the fun of seeing them. They like the sport, true, but they like also the thought of winning money. They do not get the same pleasurable excitement out of a race when they have nothing at stake that they do when they have wagered something. We think it is safe to say that if betting on the races were absolutely prohibited and if the race-goers knew in advance that it would be, the attendance would be cut down to a small fraction of what it now is.

Even when the attendance is very heavy the owners of race tracks rarely take in enough from admission and race-entrance fees to pay the enormous expense of conducting a race meeting. Thousands of dollars are "hung up" in purses, and thousands more go to the little army of necessary employees. The deficit is made up by the bookmakers. The average charge for operating a betting stand is \$100 per day. At the Washington park track there are ordinarily about 100 bookmakers. It is apparent that the sum they pay into the association is well worth considering.

Cut off the betting and you cut off the bookmakers and cut down the attendance. It seems clear enough to most people that horse racing must either be conducted with its unfortunate gambling accessories or it must be abandoned entirely.

BUGS DO DAMAGE.

THE ALBANY, N. Y., Argus of recent date had an interesting article on the amount of damage done by insects in this country. The showing is enough to startle those who have ate gambling accessories or it must be abandoned entirely.

Twelve bugs, according to reliable statistics, do an estimated damage to farm products of \$32,000,000 per annum. The chinch bug leads the list, with \$100,000,000 a year; grasshopper, \$90,000,000; Hessian fly (a reminder of the revolution, since its ravages cost \$25,000,000 in cotton bolls worth, \$20,000,000; San Jose scale, grain weevil, apple worm and army worm, \$10,000,000; potato bug, \$8,000,000, and cabbage worm \$5,000,000.

Now this is all very remarkable, but it seems to us that the Argus has left out one of the most harmful insects. We refer to the presidential bee. There's a bug that does about as much damage as any insect that could be mentioned. If current rumors and reports are true, the presidential bee has cost a certain large owner of newspapers something like \$2,000,000. And the end is not yet. It will cost him a lot more before he is rid of the pest.

The presidential bee is expensive to others, indeed, it is one of the most pestiferous insects known to science. Once let it attack a man and he's never able to get away from it. It costs some of them all their money, others all their happiness. For only a few, as far as we know, has the presidential bee been a providential visitor. And yet no man goes out of his way to avoid it. Thus the bee is encouraged to propagate its kind and to grow fat in the land.

Then there's the apis mellifica senatorium, commonly known as the senatorial bee. Men have been known to recover from its ravages, but such cases are rather rare. And once the bee lands there where they want to be landed they are never willing to let go, no matter how much it costs them or their constituents to stay.

We really believe the apis mellifica presidentibus and the ditto senatorium should be included in the list of harmful bugs.

A war correspondent has been thoughtful enough to send out a message to the effect that General Kuropatkin sleeps from midnight until 7 o'clock in the morning. And for all the results he is able to show, he might as well go right back to bed again and sleep until midnight.

A Chicago bartender was arrested a few days ago for impersonating a newspaper reporter. Of course the sham was easily detected. Bartenders do not see reporters often enough to be able to impersonate them with any degree of success.

From the number of "graphic" descriptions of Russo-Japanese battles that are already being furnished we are inclined to fear that the magazines won't get through with them in this generation.

The seating of the negro delegation from Louisiana by the Republican national committee ought to make Louisiana safe enough for the Democratic nominee next November. And that's no joke.

A Tennessee woman was killed by a spider's bite the other day. No wonder little Miss Muffet ran away.

Fadette's Fancies.

(Fadette, in Chicago Tribune.)
When you see a wayside flower splashed with a bit of mud you immediately recognize that the mud is not a part of the flower, but that it has come from something outside the flower, and you realize, too, what sort of an outside something it has come from. It is precisely the same way when incivilities of any sort come to you from those with whom you associate.

SOCIETY

The tea given yesterday afternoon by Mrs. Benner X. Smith and Mrs. Ira H. Lewis was one of the delightful events of the past week. The large, airy room were thronged with a breeze and chandeliers and mantels were twined with smilax and plumosa. In the hallway numerous palms were used and vines and screens sheltered the verandas. In the drawing room where the hostesses stood receiving tall vases of deep pink roses stood and the same flowers were used on the mantel. The small dais used for the music, a fine orchestra of little people furnishing a mandolin and guitar programme. In the dining room a circular table was used with a round bed of pink roses outlined with ferns filling the entire center. Three ropes of smilax hung from the chandelier and as many hand-painted cardsticks were placed on the table. Punch was served on the veranda.

The women were assisted by Mrs. Helen M. Wells, Mrs. Harkness, Mrs. Windsor V. Rice, Mrs. Ferdinand J. Fabian, Mrs. P. S. Bascom, Mrs. Sol Siegel, Mrs. Union Worthington, Mrs. H. R. Walker, Mrs. Montague Berry, Mrs. Henry La Motte, Mrs. George Westervelt, Miss Blanche Kimball, Miss Hanauer and Miss Maud Thorne. About 250 friends called during the afternoon.

Mrs. Le Grand Young and Miss Young entertained at a beautiful luncheon yesterday at the Red Butte Hotel. The affair was in honor of Mrs. Harold Russell and Mrs. Frank Jennings. Covers were laid for sixteen. The decorations were all in yellow, a low bed of the yellow roses forming the centerpiece of the table, while branches of the same radiated therefrom. Coffee was served later on the cool lawn amid the outdoor flowers.

Mrs. Sol Siegel, Mrs. J. E. Dambarger and Miss Hanauer are to be the hostesses at the Country club this afternoon. There will be an approaching and putting contest at 4 o'clock and tea will be served on the veranda at that hour.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Curtin are at home at the Metropole, in St. Joseph, Mo., and will remain there till the autumn, when they will take up house-keeping.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Dern entertained again last evening at hearts, their guests numbering about forty. This was the last of the series of parties given during the week, and was a most enjoyable event. The rooms were made bright with quantities of roses. Thursday evening prizes were won by Mrs. R. H. Officer, Mrs. Ferdinand J. Fabian, G. F. Putnam and S. R. Tuttle.

F. C. Schramm entertained a party of six at an informal dinner at the Country club last evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Russell. The other guests were Governor and Mrs. Wells and Mrs. Frank W. Jennings.

Mrs. "Jack" Keith has returned from a visit of some time with her parents, is enroute to startle those who have ate gambling accessories or it must be abandoned entirely.

Mrs. Ellsworth Daggett will be the hostess at a luncheon given for Mrs. Harold Russell and Mrs. Frank W. Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ritter entertain for Mrs. Russell this evening.

Park Channing, who has been the guest for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Channing, left yesterday for his home in the east.

Mrs. John Marwick of Provo has spent the past few days in the city visiting friends.

Mrs. Charlotte Pitcher entertained at dinner Thursday evening at the Fifth East hotel.

Miss Phil Pointer expects to leave for Kentucky next week to join her mother and sisters in Owensboro.

Mrs. Klisick and Miss Alice Slavin have gone to California for a part of the summer.

Mrs. Dora Snyder has moved from 68 R street and is at home at 943 First street.

Mrs. Heber Lee has issued invitations for a luncheon to be given Tuesday for Mrs. Russell.

Mrs. Amelia Folsom Young has issued invitations for a high tea to be given to sixty guests at her home on First West street, on the evening of Tuesday, June 28.

Yesterday's Cartoon.

To The Salt Lake Herald:
Without a word of explanation, the cartoon in today's Herald, and its swift and deeply into the minds of its readers, the thoughts it was designed to convey. It was indeed a masterpiece, and outdid, if such a thing were possible, any former effort of your distinguished and polished artist. Standing on the pier before an undotted sea, the strong character of an Uncle Sam emblematic of the whole nation, in a so-called and sympathetic attitude, clasping the hand of the grief-stricken Kinkadee, with a tear-stained face, tells a story more sublimely impressive than words. It depicts the feelings of a nation toward those hapless ones on the New England coast and especially the temper of your readers who have become familiar with the horrible catastrophe in New York's harbor Wednesday. It is safe to venture that the cartoon will not only make an impression on the land yesterday morning which carried more swiftly to the reader's mind a more real and lasting impression thereon, than Love's touching tribute.

Salt Lake, June 17. W. H. KORN.

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